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SUBJ: MIKI IN AMERICAN ROLE IN ASIA; ROK IN UN; KOREA IN

NON ALIGNED GROUP

1. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM EDITORIAL IN ENGLISH
DAILY INDONESIAN OBSERVER, AUG 9: "KIKI ON AMERICAN
ROLE IN ASIA":

2. QTE IN HIS SPEECH BEFORE THE WASHINGTON PRESS CORPS
WEDNESDAY, VISITING JAPANESE PRIME MINISTER TAKEO MIKI
COUNSELED THAT THE POST VIETNAM WAR ERA IN ASIA WOULD
REQUIRE PATIENCE AND UNDERSTANDING. FOR THIS REASON HE
WARNED THAT THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE MAKING A MISTAKE
IF IT CONCLUDED SOME SOUTH EAST ASIAN NATIONS NOW TAKING
STRONG POLITICAL MEASURES DID NOT WANT TO ASSOCIATE WITH
THE UNITED STATES.

3. QTE IT IS FAIR TO SAY THAT MIKI HAS INTERPRTED
RECENT EVENTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA QUITE CORRECTLY. THE
EXPRESSION "STRONG POLITICAL MEASURES" USED TO REFER TO
THE NEW POLICIES OF SEVERAL SOUTH EAST ASIAN NATIONS MAY
BE HIS WAY OF SAYING THAT NATIONALISM IS ON THE RISE IN
THESE COUNTRIES. AMONG THEM MUST BE LISTED LAOE AND TWO
OF WASHINGTON'S OWN SEATO ALLIES, THILAND AND THE
PHILIPPINES.

4. QTE DOUBTLESS, THE PROBLEM IS WHETHER AMERICAN
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PERCEPTION OF THESE NATIONALIST TENDENCIES CONFROMS WITH

THAT ADVANCED BY THE ASIAN GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED. SO FAR THERE IS NO INDICATION THAT IT DOES.

5. QTE BUT JAPANESE APPREHENSION FOR OTHER NON-COMMUNIST ASIAN COUNTRIES FOLLOWING ANY AMERICAN WITHDRAWAL FROM THE REGION IS NO LESS TRUE FOR ITSELF. HERE THE POWER VACUUM THEORY, EVEN THOUGH ALREADY DISMISSED BY THE THAI FOREIGN MINISTER AS OUTDATED AS THE ABANDONED DOMINO THEORY, MAY HAVE BEEN A MAJOR RATIONALE. WHAT THIS IMPLIES, SHOULD IT BE SO, IS THAT JAPAN AMONG OTHER THINGS FEARS A SUBSEQUENT SHIFT IN THE POWER EQUILIBRIUM FAVORING THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA. TO COUNTER THAT, MIKI IS INSISTING ON A STRONG ALL ROUND AMERICAN PRESENCE WITH JAPAN OFFERING ITS COLLABORATION IN THE ECONOMIC FINANCIL FIELDS.

6. QTE NEEDLESS TO SAY, WITH THE UNITED STATES MAINTAINING ITS "POLICE" DUTIES HERE, JAPAN'S ECONOMIC LIFE-LINE TO THE SOUTH WILL REMAIN SECURED AND SAFEGUARD, EG AGAINST "RADICAL NATIONALISM."

7. FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM EDITORIAL IN ENGLISH DAILY INDONESIAN TIMES, AUG 9: "THE KOREAN PROBLEM AND SOUND LOGIC."

8. QTE SOUTH AND NORTH VIETNAMESE APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE UNITED NATIONS ARE NOW PENDING BEFORE THE SECURITY COUNCIL, WHILE SOUTH KOREA'S ATTEMPT TO BECOME A UN MEMBER HAS BEEN FOILED AT THE SECIRITY COUNCIL. SHOULD SOUTH AND NORTH VIETNAM BE ADMITTED INTO THE UN AT THE FORTHCOMING GNERAL ASSEMBLY, NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA ALONE WOULD BE LEFT OUT FROM THE UNITED NATIONS FAMILY. SINCE THIS IS NOT ONLY ABSURD BUT AGAINST THE PRINCIPLE OF UNIVERSALITY, BOTH KOREAS' ENTRY INTO THE UN SHOULD ALSO BE EXPEDITED.

9. QTE "PEACEFUL REUNIFICATION" COULD ONLY BE ACCELERATED THROUGH SOUTH-NORTH DIALOGUE AND THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF SEOUL AND PYONGYANG REPRESENTATIVES IN THE UN. THIS WILL, WE BELIEVE, CONTRIBUTE NOT ONLY TO THE UNCLASSIFIED

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REDUCTION OF TENSION IN THE KOREAN PENNINSULA, BUT ALSO TO THE CONSOLIDATION OF PEACE IN ASIA AS A WHOLE.

10. QTE HOWEVER THE DECISIVE FACTOR REMAINS THE RESOLUTE-NESS AND EARNEST WILL OF THE KOREAN PEOPLE AND LEADERS TO RECONCILIATE.

11. FOLLOWING EXCERPTS FROM EDITORIAL IN MAJOR DAILY

SINAR HARAPAN, AUUSUT 8: "PEACE IN KOREA, PEACE IN ASIA."

12. QTE NORTH KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER HO DAM ARRIVED IN JAKARTA THURSDAY NIGHT FOR A THREE DAY VISIT FOLLOWING THE VISIT OF SOUTH KOREAN FOREIGN MINISTER KIM DONG JO THREE MONTHS AGO.

13. QTE IT IS NOW THE MOST PROPER TIME FOR THE INDONESIAN OFFICIALS TO EXPRESS THE ASPIRATIONS OF OUR PEOPLE FOR PEACE IN THE DISCUSSION WITH THEIR COUNTERPARTS FROM NORTH KOREA.

14. QTE THE REUNIFICATION OF THE TWO KOREAS THROUGH PEACEFUL MEANS IS ABSOLUTELY REQUIRED, AND INDONESIA SHOULD URGE BOTH SIDES TO OPEN DIALOGUE. PRIOR TO THIS, BOTH SIDES SHOULD FIRST AVOID INTRIGUES, PROVOCATIONS AND OTHER ACTIONS THAT CAN START CONFLICTS.

15. QTE THE REQUESTS OF BOTH KOREAS TO BECOME MEMBERS OF THE NONALIGNED GROUP PLANNING TO STAGE A NONBLOC CONFERENCE OF FOREIGN MINISTERS IN LIMA WILL BE RATHER DIFFICULT TO CONSIDER AT PRESENT, ACCORDING TO FOREIGN MINISTER ADAM MALIK.

16. QTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS NON BLOC GROUP IS BEING "MANIPULATED BY A FEW NATIONS. THE REQUEST FROM NORTH KOREA WILL NOT MEET AS MUCH DIFFICULTY AS THE ONE FROM THE SOUTH, CONSIDERING THAT THE PRESENT NON BLOC GROUP IS DOMINATED BY COUNTRIES TENDING TO BE ANTI AMERICA.

17. QTE IT WOULD BE WISER FOR THE TIME BEING TO ACCEPT THE DIVIDED NATION ONLY AS OBSERVERS. LET FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS IN THE KOREA PENINSULA SERVE AS GUIDANCE
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FOR THE NON BLOC GROUP WHEN RECONSIDERING THE REQUESTS OF THE TWO KOREAS. END QTE. ENDUSINFO. LAVIN

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